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SUBJECT: SOVIETS REFUSE EMBOFFS VISITS TO UST'KUT AND
NIZHNEANGARSK

REF: MOSCOW 2235

1. MFA PROTOCOL OFFICER VACHNADZE INFORMED TRAVEL
OFFICER AFTERNOON OF FEB. 27 THAT REQUEST FOR MARCH 5-7
VISIT TO UST'KUT AND MARCH 8-10 VISIT TO NIZHNEANGARSK
BY EMBOFFS SONTAG AND BYRNES WAS REFUSED FOR "REASONS
OF A TEMPORARY NATURE".

2. NIZHNEANGARSK REFUSAL MARKS THIRD TIME EMBASSY HAS
BEEN REFUSED ACCESS TO AREAS SUPPOSEDLY OPENED UP BY
SOVIETS IN JANUARY, 1978. EMBASSY HAS YET TO SUCCEED
IN VISITING NEWLY-OPENED AREA OUTSIDE MOSCOW OBLAST.

3. WE WILL PURSUE MATTER WITH SOVIETS, NOTING THAT
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THEIR 100 PERCENT REFUSAL RATE FOR NEWLY-OPENED AREAS
OUTSIDE MOSCOW OBLAST CASTS EXTREME DOUBT ON SINCERITY
OF THEIR INTENTIONS IN PUBLISHING REVISED OPEN AREAS LIST.

4. RECOMMEND STRONG AND IMMEDIATE RETALIATIONS FOR BOTH
UST'KUT AND NIZHNEANGARSK TURNDOWNS. MATLOCK

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